Abstract of the Disclosure

An area on an image of a document indicated by
image data of an obtained document is discriminated
5 between two types of areas, that is, a useful
information area considered to include useful
information and an useless information area
considered not to include useful information, and a
row to be thinned is specified. The position of an
10 entry column recognized by referring to the image
data of the obtained document is corrected based on
the specified row to be thinned. Based on the row
to be thinned, a recognition result of an entry
column, etc., an operation is performed on the
15 image data and the resultant image data is
displayed.